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SUBJECT: RATIFICATION OF CONVENTION ON PSYCHOTROPIC  
SUBSTANCES, 1971

REF: (A) STATE A-4540 JUNE 5, 1974; (B) STATE A-2756  
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1. PURPOSE OF SUBJECT CONVENTION WAS TO UPDATE INTERNATIONAL DRUG CONTROL SYSTEM BY BRINGING UNDER ITS JURISDICTION RECENTLY DEVELOPED PSYCHOTROPIC (MIND-BENDING) DRUGS INCLUDING HALLUCINOGENIC DRUGS (SUCH AS LSD), AMPHETAMINES, BARBITURATES AND TRANQUILLIZERS. CONVENTION WAS DETERMINED TO BE NECESSARY WHEN IT BECAME EVIDENT THAT GOVERNMENTS CANNOT DEAL WITH PROBLEM OF ABUSE OF THESE SUBSTANCES WITHOUT INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND ACTION. CONVENTION WOULD CLOSE IMPORTANT GAP WHICH NOW EXISTS IN INTERNATIONAL DRUG REGULATIONS.

2. USG SIGNED CONVENTION FEBRUARY 1971 AND IN JUNE 1971 PRESIDENT TRANSMITTED IT TO SENATE WITH URGENT RECOMMENDATION FOR ITS EARLY CONSIDERATION AND FOR SENATE'S ADVICE AND CONSENT. COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS HELD HEARINGS BUT DEFERRED FURTHER ACTION UNTIL THERE HAD BEEN ADEQUATE OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION. SUCH LEGISLATION WAS INTRODUCED IN CONGRESS FEBRUARY 1972 AND AGAIN SEPTEMBER 1973. HEARINGS WERE HELD IN SENATE.  
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BUT NO ACTION WAS TAKEN BY HOUSE. IT IS AGAIN BEING INTRODUCED IN THE NEW CONGRESS. WE HAVE BEEN ASSURED THAT BOTH HOUSES WILL HOLD HEARINGS DURING THE 93RD CONGRESS AND WE EXPECT THESE TO LEAD TO PASSAGE OF IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION AND TO OPEN THE WAY FOR US RATIFICATION. ADMINISTRATION CONTINUES TO BELIEVE EARLY COMING INTO FORCE OF CONVENTION IS IMPORTANT FOREIGN POLICY GOAL AND THUS WILL PRESS TO ACHIEVE US RATIFICA-

TION.

3. CONVENTION WILL COME INTO FORCE ON NINETIETH DAY AFTER FORTY STATES HAVE DEPOSITED INSTRUMENTS OF RATIFICATION OR ACCESSION. AT PRESENT 24 STATES HAVE RATIFIED OR ACCEDED, LEAVING 16 MORE STILL REQUIRED. STATES WHICH HAVE RATIFIED OR ACCEDED FOLLOW: BARBADOS, BRAZIL, BULGARIA, CHILE, CYPRUS, DAHOMEY, ECUADOR, EGYPT, FINLAND, FRANCE, ICELAND, MADAGASCAR, MAURITIUS, NICARAGUA, PANAMA, PARAGUAY, PHILIPPINES, POLAND, SAUDI ARABIA, SOUTH AFRICA, SPAIN, SWEDEN, VENEZUELA, YUGOSLAVIA.

4. UNLESS THERE ARE OVERRIDING REASONS TO CONTRARY, POSTS ARE REQUESTED APPROACH HOST GOVERNMENTS TO POINT OUT NEED FOR CONVENTION ON PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES TO COME INTO FORCE IN ORDER TO BRING RECENTLY DEVELOPED PSYCHOTROPIC DRUGS UNDER INTERNATIONAL CONTROL.

5. SIGNATORIES WHICH HAVE NOT YET RATIFIED WOULD APPEAR OFFER SUPERIOR PROSPECTS FOR EARLY RATIFICATION. THEY ARE: ARGENTINA, AUSTRALIA, BYELORUSSIAN S.S.R., COSTA RICA, DENMARK, GERMANY (FEDERAL REPUBLIC), GHANA, GREECE, GUYANA, HOLY SEE, HUNGARY, IRAN, JAPAN, LEBANON, LIBERIA, MONACO, NEW ZEALAND, RWANDA, TOGO, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, TURKEY, UKRANIAN S.S.R., UNITED KINGDOM, USSR.

6. POSTS REQUESTED REPORT RESPONSES OF HOST GOVERNMENTS. INGERSOLL

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